

# QUIET ZONES



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### WHAT IS A QUIET ZONE?

- A Quiet Zone is sections of a railroad corridor where train crews do not routinely sound the horn at railroad crossings.

### WHAT ARE THE QUALIFICATIONS?

- The railroad segments will qualify for Quiet Zone designation if crossing safety improvements are implemented, such as crossing closures, one-way conversions, quad gates, medians & signs and pavement markings.

### HOW LONG IS THE PROCESS?

- The Quiet Zone process, from initiation to establishment, can take 12 to 24 months.

### CREATING A QUIET ZONE

- Any public authority with jurisdiction for the roadway may create a Quiet Zone. The public authority must show that the lack of a train horn does not pose a significant safety risk. Careful consideration must be given to the treatment options to be employed.

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